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In re:

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Patent Application of : Group Art Unit 1614
Darwin J. Prockop et al. :
Appln. No: 08/913,918 : Examiner: J. Kerr
Filed: December 8, 1997 :
Title: ISOLATED STROMAL CELLS AND : Attorney Docket
METHODS OF USING SAME : No. 9855-14U1 (TJU-1857)
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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

Applicant(s) in the above-identified application hereby petition(s) for a two-month extension of time to and including August 9, 2001 for responding to the Office Action mailed May 9, 2001. A response to the Office Action accompanies this Petition.

A check in the amount of \$195.00 is enclosed herewith.
 The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 209855.0057) as noted below. A duplicate copy is enclosed.
 Extension fee in the amount of \$_____.00.
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Respectfully submitted,

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